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EDITORIALS†

THE MILL OF THE FIFTY-SECOND CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE

Tentative Report on Bills Introduced.—At this writing it is not possible to give much information concerning proposed laws with public health implications which, up to the present, have been submitted to the Fifty-second California Legislature, now in session; because most of the important measures are still in their formative drafts.

At a meeting of the Council held in San Francisco on January 16, Dr. Junius B. Harris of Sacramento, chairman of the California Medical Association Committee on Public Policy and Legislation, gave a bird's-eye view of the legislative situation, and the picture he painted was in line with former experiences. The Council minutes record the action taken by that body in its all-day session.*

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Three Important Measures: Medical Practice Act Codification; Medical Service Associations; Hospitalization Plan.—Three measures, in which the members of the California Medical Association have a special interest at this time, are:

1. The Medical Practice Act, as revised by the Code Commission. Through conference between representatives of the State Board of Medical Examiners, the California Medical Association and of the State Code Commission, it is hoped that the laws governing medical practice, in the new code, have been clarified without in any way detracting from their power.

2. The proposed law governing Medical Service Associations, as prepared by the Council's Special Committee and legal counsel, was carefully considered by the Council, section by section, and authority given to submit it to the Legislature. (See Item 13 in Council minutes.)

One or more measures of somewhat similar purpose have already been introduced on behalf of interests whose identity is not known. More of these in later issues.

3. A proposed Hospital Service law, sponsored by the Associated Hospitals of Southern California, was read, discussed and approved by the Council, and the chairman of the Los Angeles

† Editorials on subjects of scientific and clinical interest, contributed by members of the California Medical Association, are printed in the Editorial Comment column, which follows.

* Council minutes are printed in this issue, on page 120.